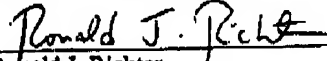


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2004, please enter the following arguments and remarks. No additional fees are believed to be due.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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